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Retraction: Unveiling the unborn: Advancing fetal health classification through machine learning

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AccScience Publishing hereby retracts an article entitled "Unveiling the unborn: Advancing fetal health classification through machine learning" published in *Artificial Intelligence in Health* due to extensive citation irregularities, including references that could not be independently verified and were found to lack sufficient evidence of authenticity and traceability.

During a routine post-publication audit, the Editorial Office identified that almost all references (1–48) could not be independently verified through commonly used scholarly databases and indexing platforms, including Google Scholar and other relevant sources. The corresponding author remained responsive and cooperative throughout the subsequent investigation and provided explanations and alternative references for the affected citations.

After careful evaluation of the information and materials provided, the Editorial Office concluded that the concerns regarding the cited references could not be satisfactorily resolved. Specifically:

- The supporting materials provided did not sufficiently demonstrate the existence, authenticity, and traceability of the references concerned.
- The identified issues could not be adequately addressed by simply replacing references, as the reliability of the citation foundation supporting the article could not be established.

Based on these findings, the Editorial Office was unable to verify the authenticity and existence of the references concerned. The presence of multiple unsubstantiated citations raises significant concerns regarding the reliability of the scholarly record presented in the article. In view of the extent of the citation irregularities and their impact on the integrity and verifiability of the work, AccScience Publishing, on the advice of the Editors-in-Chief (Prof. Andrzej Cichocki and Prof. Weiping Ding), has decided to retract the article. The author has been informed of this decision and has cooperated with the Editorial Office throughout the investigation process.

The Editorial Office regrets that these citation irregularities were not identified during the peer-review and editorial assessment processes prior to publication. We sincerely apologize to our readers and the wider academic community for this oversight. To safeguard the integrity of the scholarly record, AccScience Publishing is reviewing and strengthening its editorial quality-control procedures, including more rigorous reference-verification measures and enhanced screening processes, to minimize the risk of similar incidents in the future.